

Security Camera Rebate Program

Introduction

The security rebate program is designed to provide rebates for security enhancements to a property, business, or space surrounding them. The program is managed by the North Michigan Avenue Special Service Area (SSA) #76 to increase safety throughout the service area. SSA #76 is the funding source used to provide rebates for security enhancements of properties within its boundaries. The boundaries include the properties highlighted on *appendix A*.

The maximum rebate amount is 60% of total installation and material costs, not to exceed \$5,000.

SSA #76 Boundaries

- The west side of Michigan Avenue from the Chicago River north to Oak Street
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Program Eligibility

Applicants

- Buildings must be located within the SSA #76 boundaries.
- If the tenant is the applicant, the tenant must have written consent from the property owner

Eligible Projects

- Security Cameras Installation (at least one must face the public-right-of-way). Proposals with 50% or more of the cameras facing the public way will be graded higher.
- Exterior lighting including motion-sensor lighting (excluding ornamental lighting).
- Camera/surveillance systems that includes at least one camera that is 1080p quality or higher are highly encouraged to ensure facial recognition on footage.
- All improvements must be compatible with the City of Chicago's building and zoning regulations.
- Applicants are required to submit three sets of cost estimates for review and the SSA Commission reserves the right to reject questionable estimates.
- All applicants are encouraged to register security cameras with the Chicago Office of Emergency Management and Communications' Private Sector Camera Initiative. For more information, please call 312-746-9111.

Ineligible Projects and Expenses

- Projects that have started prior to project approval.

- Projects that do not include a public-right-of-way component (e.g., security cameras installed inside a building).
- Exterior lighting for aesthetics or awnings.
- Installation of burglar bars or roll down security barriers.
- Ongoing costs of monthly monitoring, maintenance, or subscriptions.

Guidelines and Procedures

Application

The applicant must submit the following:

1. Completed Application Form,
2. Photos of the proposed camera location(s) and their respective views,
3. Copies of title insurance policy,
4. Detailed plans, drawings, or specifications,
5. Detailed cost estimate from three different contractors and/or executed contract,

Security Camera Rebate Application Review

The SSA Advisory Committee and the Magnificent Mile Association staff shall review all qualifying applicants. Staff will review all applications and may take up to 7-10 business days to consider the degree to which the proposed project follows the program goals and guidelines before presenting them to the Committee. The Committee shall recommend approval of rebates to the SSA Commission. The SSA Commission shall formally approve or deny all applications for this rebate.

Applications will be accepted at the start of every month until the end of the rebate program. See below for periods when applications will be accepted.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Open Dates</u>
January	January 1-31
February	February 1-28
March	March 1-31
April	April 1-30
May	May 1-31
June	June 1-30
July	July 1-31
August	August 1-31
September	September 1-30
October	October 1 -31
November	November 1-30
December	December 1-31

Applications will be voted on at the next commission meeting following each month.

Rebate Lottery

Given limited funds in the budget for rebates under this program, a lottery will be held of pending applications if there are more applicants than available funds. Rebates will not be issued until the next fiscal year once all allocated funds are depleted.

SSA Commissioner Applicants

SSA Commissioners may apply for a rebate but must recuse themselves on any Security Camera Rebate Program votes until their application has been settled.

Appendix 1: Map of service area boundaries

